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In re Application of:
Pietras, et al.

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For: An Apparatus for Facilitating the Connection of Tubulars Using a Top Drive

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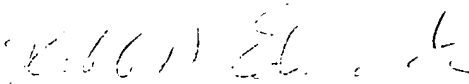
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This response is intended to supplement Applicant's Second Response to Office Action Dated September 14, 2001, for which the shortened statutory time period for response was extended two-months to expire on February 14, 2002.

Applicants inadvertently mailed the Second Response without a marked up version of the specification showing all the changes made to a substitute specification

submitted with the Second Response. Accordingly, Applicants enclose herewith the marked up version. Applicants apologize for any inconvenience.

Respectfully submitted,



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